

TONOPAH MINES ARE NOT TO CLOSE DOWN

CONGRESS TO BEGIN WORK ON MONDAY

The President's Message Will be Read Tuesday--Congress Will Honor Late Senator Allison Monday.

(Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The president's annual message to congress will be read at the second session of the sixtieth congress Tuesday next, instead of Monday, the opening day of congress, according to the plan announced today. The senate will adjourn Monday out of respect to the memory of Senator Allison, immediately after appointing a committee to wait on the president and after the new members are sworn in. Speaker Cannon said the house will also adjourn in the same manner. Tuesday probably will be devoted solely to reading the president's message.

RAILROADS GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY

(Associated Press.)
SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 3.—"Guilty" was the verdict of the jury in the United States district court before which the Union Pacific railway, the Union Pacific Coal company, the Oregon Short Line, Everett Buckingham and J. M. Moore have been tried for conspiring in restraint of interstate commerce, thereby violating the laws of the United States. The defendants were indicted two years ago after it was shown to the satisfaction of the grand jury that Moore, the sales agent of the coal company, with the assistance of Buckingham, then tariff manager of the Short Line, had cut off the supply of Wyoming coal going to David J. Sharp, a Salt Lake dealer, because Sharp advertised coal below the prevailing prices. This action, it was alleged, drove Sharp out of business. Sentence will be postponed pending the result of an appeal to the United States circuit court of appeals.

SMELTER FUMES INQUIRY

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—At the conference on the destruction in Montana of forests and vegetation by fumes from copper smelting furnaces, held at the white house today, it was decided to have representatives of copper companies come to Washington to be heard on the matter before any action is taken. The conference was attended by the president, Attorney General Bonaparte, Special Counsel Johnson of the department of justice, who investigated the matter; Senator Dixon of Montana, and a number of agriculturists

of that state who came to Washington to make protest. Vegetation and forests, including national reserves in the vicinity of copper smelting plants, it is declared, are being destroyed by gases from the smelters and as a result the water supply is being injured.

PINE BLUFF SITUATION IS IMPROVING

(By Associated Press.)
PINE BLUFF (Ark.), Dec. 3.—The river situation here, tonight is declared to be greatly improved. The two most endangered buildings, the Jefferson county court house and a hotel which stands almost on the brink of the stream, are now believed safe.

SILVER RECOVERING.
NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Silver, 48 1/4; lead, dull, 4.25 @ 4.30; copper, dull, 14.37 1/2 @ 14.50.

Official Statement to this Effect is Given Out Thursday Night by Vice-President of Montana-Tonopah Mining Company.

W. W. Booth, the owner of the Tonopah Bonanza, holds the Associated Press franchise and agency in the city of Tonopah, and as his accredited agent, H. E. Davis of the Tonopah Bonanza last night secured and wired to the Associated Press the following, which is self-explanatory:
TONOPAH, Nev., Dec. 3.—Regarding the rumor that certain of the large silver and gold producing properties in Tonopah are to close down because of the present low quotations on silver, Vice President R. P. Dunlap, of the Montana-Tonopah Mining company, gives to the Associated Press representative the following official statement tonight:
"The report that the mines of Tonopah are likely to close down because of the low price of silver, is without foundation in fact. Such action has never even been considered by the managements of the different properties. No doubt some thoughtless and irresponsible street corner gossips have heard that the price of silver is low, and out of this have manufactured the report that the mines were to close. On account of the improved processes for reduction which are now being used by the Tonopah properties, fine silver can be produced at a very low cost, and should the price go even materially lower, the mines of Tonopah will still be able to make a profit on ore which, a few years ago, was regarded as too low grade to work. Doubtless wide circulation has been given to this report by the live, up-to-date brokers who are always on the alert, ready to take advantage of any circumstance which is calculated to make commissions for them.
"Brokers should cultivate a higher appreciation of the responsibility of their position as the connecting link between the mine operators and the investing public, and be very careful about giving circulation to wild, unfounded rumors which are calculated to do much harm."

G. H. TAYLOR LIED TO THE GRAND JURY

According to Reno Informants --It is Alleged He Caused Transaction Which Led to Arrest of Cushman.

(Special to the Bonanza.)
RENO, Dec. 3.—George H. Taylor returned from Tonopah tonight and admitted that he had been before the grand jury in connection with the account of one Bertha S. Smith, whose account, \$47779.75, was paid into the State Bank and Trust company of Tonopah the day before the failure, October 21, 1907. This amount was subsequently charged back on the books at the written request of Taylor, after E. B. Cushman had demurred twice against having anything to do with such a transaction. The money was credited by Cushman, according to his and Taylor's own letters, the day the Tonopah bank failed. It was to be credited to the account of the D. O. Mills company bank in Sacramento, with which Bertha Smith had placed the account for collection. Taylor denied that he had anything to do with the transaction, although his letters show that Cushman's action was taken at his request after he had assured Cushman that the latter would be held blameless in the matter. The Journal prints the entire correspondence Friday morning.

SUICIDE SAVES POLICY.

BUTTE (Mont.), Dec. 3.—The coroner's jury in the case of W. H. True, the agent who committed suicide here yesterday, returned a verdict of suicide due to despondency. It was established that True shot himself a few minutes before a policy on his life for \$4000 expired.

FOOT BALL GAME PROVES FATAL.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—Quartermaster Sergeant Boyd Dowdle of Asheville, North Carolina, attached to the Eighty-third company, United States coast artillery, Fort Revere, died tonight of injuries received in a football game on Thanksgiving day.

CATTLE PLAGUE CHECKED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Secretary Wilson today declared that the foot and mouth disease among cattle which was prevalent in the states of Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland, was now under control. It is estimated that 1000 animals suffering have been destroyed.

STOCK MARKET UNEASY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The constant fluctuation of prices on today's stock market made it puzzling to discern the prevailing tone of speculation. The pressure to sell was less pronounced than yesterday. Bonds were irregular.

MINING MEN IN SESSION AT PITTSBURG

Are Studying Causes of Explosions in Coal Mines and Testing Apparatus for Use by the Rescuers

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURG, Dec. 3.—Coal operators, mine owners, engineers, practical miners, scientists and national and state officials, all here for the meeting of the mining congress this afternoon, participated in a formal dedication of the federal government laboratory and testing station recently established here. A series of tests in an artificial mine in which conditions of real mines were reproduced as far as possible, showing results from various explosives from so-called safety agencies, was the most interesting feature of the ceremony. Today's tests were made at the artificial mine and after explosions of bituminous coal dust and black powder to show the effects it would have upon a mine, the experts of the station appeared wearing the Draeger oxygen apparatus, including metal and glass hoods, chemical chamber and air bag, designed to render breathing normal or nearly so, while the operator is surrounded by most deadly gases and vapors. These men hurried into the gallery, still filled with fumes of the explosion, and apparently were not affected by any of the gases.

Twelve are Killed in a Riot in Hayti

(By Associated Press.)
PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 3.—Twelve persons were killed and many wounded last night in a riot following the departure of President Nord Alexis from the palace to the French training ship. Scores of citizens were placed under arms to assist the loyal troops in patrolling the city. Today comparative tranquillity reigns. General Simon will probably be elected president. His army is only twelve miles distant and he is expected to arrive in this city Friday morning. A great quantity of stolen articles have been taken to the police station and about 150 looters, men and women, have been arrested.

MURPHY JURY IS SECURED

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The twelfth juror was secured today on the jury which will try Attorney Frank Murphy, who is accused of having attempted to bribe John M. Kelly, a salesman in the Ruef-Parkside case. After the completion of the jury the indictment returned by the grand jury against Murphy was read to the jurors, and the case continued until tomorrow morning, when the prosecution will make its opening statement. E. A. S. Blake, the contractor who was convicted of offering a bribe to John M. Kelly,

will be the star witness for the prosecution. After conviction, Blake in open court made a confession implicating Murphy in the transaction.

INSURANCE MAN KILLED HIMSELF

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PAUL (Minn.), Dec. 3.—Timothy R. Palmer, who resigned Friday as president of the Minnesota Mutual Life Insurance company, suicided by shooting himself through the head at his residence today. Palmer has been in ill health for the past year and at times unable to attend to the duties of his position as president of the insurance company.

PORT BYRON (Ill.), Dec. 3.—Burglars blew open the vault of the State bank early today and escaped on a handcar. A few residents were aroused by a muffled explosion, but paid no attention to it, and the burglary was not discovered until the bank was opened for the day's business.